

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 217 - SB 541

February 14, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds autism, mental retardation, and developmental disability to the list of conditions with which a Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) Officer and police officers must be trained to respond.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The THP is currently required to be trained to respond effectively to persons with mental illness. According to the Department of Safety, it is estimated that any additional training that would be required could be handled within existing resources.
- Currently, all police officers are required to receive annual in-service training in proper procedures to respond to persons with mental illness. According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the requirements of the bill can be incorporated easily into any existing training program without a significant fiscal impact.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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